

WHITE MOVES TO WIN

Kid Lavigne Defeated Joe Wolcott Last Night

BATTLE OF LITTLE GIANTS

Reduced Welter Weight Too Much for the Colored Lad

The Straight and Paralyzing Hits by Which the Latter Won Many a Battle Ineffective Against the Saginaw Kid.

San Francisco, Oct. 29.—George Lavigne whipped Joe Wolcott tonight and whipped him thoroughly. Ten thousand people saw the fight under the auspices of the Occidental club. While the ending was abrupt and unexpected at the moment, none of the great crowd thought the eventual ending would prove unfavorable to the Saginaw Kid. He set a most terrific pace from the sound of the gong in the first round until the end of the twelfth and had a good margin to go on in every round.

While Wolcott stood off the sturdy Michigander's rushes well and returned many hard blows, he could not stop Lavigne. At the close of the ninth round Wolcott was seen to limp into his corner and his seconds gave their attention to his legs. Wolcott is subject to muscular cramps in his lower limbs and it is this ailment which unfortunately attacked the colored man tonight. However, this attack did not appear in his fighting in the early rounds of the fight and only served to end the fight in Lavigne's favor at an earlier stage than was looked for, as it was apparent from the beginning of the fight that Lavigne's lead could not be overcome without a wonderful rally on the part of Wolcott. Lavigne fought for the body principally and it was these blows that took the life out of the colored lad.

Wolcott was looked after by Tom O'Rourke, George Dixon and Joe Cotton. Lavigne's seconds were his brother, Billy Lavigne, Tim McGrath and Billy Armstrong. Eddie Greaney was referee. The pace during the first four rounds was terrific. In the third Lavigne put in two face blows and a hard left on the body. The Kid put in two hard rights on the body in quick succession and got a hard left in the face. Lavigne rushed, but the coon ducked and George went over his head. Lavigne forced Wolcott about the ring. In the fourth Lavigne opened up hostilities with a right hook, but was neatly stopped by a straight left. The Kid rushes Wolcott to the ropes and landed hard on Wolcott's nose. Wolcott made a better showing in this round.

In the fifth and sixth rounds Lavigne had matters pretty much his own way and the seventh was the fastest seen here in many a day. Lavigne rushed Wolcott to the ropes and uppercut him with his left on the face. Lavigne hooked his right on the jaw and the colored man staggered and clinched. Lavigne went after his man and hammered him with the right and left on the jaw and head.

The colored fellow was greatly distressed, clinching to avoid rushes. Lavigne sent Joe to his haunches against the ropes.

In the eighth and ninth Lavigne rushed Wolcott all over the ring, landing over the heart. Wolcott clinched and wrestled desperately to save himself. Wolcott came up limping in the tenth, and Lavigne landed repeatedly on Joe's jaw, staggering the colored lad. In the twelfth round Wolcott was not anxious to leave his corner and asked for a draw, but the Kid rushed at him like a tiger. Upon finding that he had to fight, Joe did it with a will, but Lavigne landed a hot right under the heart which settled him. Wolcott clung to the Kid at every opportunity until parted by the referee. Wolcott led with his right, but seemed to lack steam. Lavigne rushed him to the ropes and led frequently without a return, Joe being apparently unable to either ward off the blows or return them.

He again limped to his corner, and a few seconds later O'Rourke called Referee Greaney over and announced that his man could go no further. After receiving the congratulations of a host of friends Lavigne smilingly jumped through the ropes and went to his dressing room. The betting was 10 to 6, with Lavigne the favorite.

THE FIGHT IN DETAIL.

Here comes Wolcott, followed by Tom O'Rourke. The black boy is attired in a salmon-colored bath robe. Behind him are George Dixon, Tom O'Rourke and Joe Cotton. Lavigne follows immediately and enters the ring at the same corner. Wolcott transferred his seat to the farther corner. Lavigne has behind him Billy Lavigne, his brother, Teddy Alexander and Billy Armstrong. Young Mitchell presents their gloves to Billy Jordan, Jordan, the master of ceremonies, announces that the referee states that if he can discover anything crooked he will declare it no fight and leave the ring at once. Eddie Greaney will be referee. Lavigne's weight is said to be 132, while Wolcott's is given as under 135. The men have agreed to fight with one arm free, and hugging is barred. Time was called at 10 o'clock. Lavigne looked bigger than the black fellow.

Lavigne lands twice with his left, landing lightly on Wolcott's ribs. In a mix Lavigne has the better of it. He lands three more lefts without a return and Lavigne comes in again, but is stopped with a good right uppercut. Lavigne sends his right in again on the black man's ribs. Lavigne is fighting like a whirlwind and smashing Wolcott right and left. They have to be dragged apart by main force when the bell rings. Loud cheers for the Kid.

Round 2.—Lavigne bores a right in and lands a left flush on Wolcott's face. Both hold on with the left and punch like hammers with their right arms free. It is a terrific fight up to this time. Wolcott is cooler, but is getting it put on him pretty hard. Lavigne is on the inside with a hard left swing and sends a right across on Wolcott's face. Wolcott landed left twice in succession on the body and face. Wolcott throws his right hard across the Kid's heart. He evened up matters toward the end of the round.

Round 3.—Wolcott comes in with straight work, while Lavigne swings a left and right. There is not much doing for the first minute. Then Lavigne feints with left and crosses with a good right on Wolcott's head. Wolcott retallied with two short-arm rights on Lavigne's side that sounded like pistol shots. Wolcott ducks a left lead and Lavigne went over his shoulder to his knees. Wolcott blocked the Kid's left lead with a straight right on the head. They are using their rights almost exclusively. The gong sounds, with it anybody's fight.

Round 4.—The Kid is the aggressor, but is stopped with a straight left on the face. Both are cross-countering with their rights. Lavigne has Wolcott against the ropes and smashes in a left and right on the head. The darkey merely laughs. Wolcott is making the pace now. Lavigne is back at him like a tiger and Wolcott slipped to the floor near the ropes. Wolcott is on the retreat now and Lavigne is fighting like a demon. Lavigne is working it too hard and shows some signs of the rapid pace.

Round 5.—Lavigne is forcing it. He lands a light left on the head and follows it with another of the same kind on Wolcott's head. The Kid then sent in a hard right over Wolcott's heart and followed it with a stiff right jolt on the jaw. Lavigne's right hand work is good. The Kid has landed all of the effective blows so far in this round. The referee has hard work breaking them at times. Wolcott is forced back by the fierce onslaughts of Lavigne as the gong is rung. Lavigne is puffing considerably, but chats with his seconds as they fix him up.

Round 6.—Lavigne is still forcing the fight. Lavigne's lefts are awkward and they always miss. Wolcott counters him with a straight left on the body. Lavigne rushes in, but is stopped with a straight left on the body. The Kid comes back with two beautiful right hands over Wolcott's heart. The darkey does not seem able to stop the stiff right hands. Lavigne pushed Wolcott back at arm's length and sends in a terrific right hand cross on the head. The black boy looks tired, and is only countering. This round is much in favor of Lavigne.

Round 7.—Eddie Greaney mops his forehead and says, "No fake about this." Lavigne is forcing. He hooks Wolcott with his left on the face. The darkey retreats, but swings in a good right hander on the Kid's head. Lavigne throws in a stiff right cross on the head and Wolcott comes back with a stiff right on the body. Wolcott is weak and gradually going to pieces. Lavigne is trying for a knock-out, but Wolcott clinches. In a breakaway Wolcott sent in a good right hander on the jaw. The referee cannot break them. The round ends in Lavigne's corner and the black fellow is in Queer street.

Round 8.—Lavigne rushing and trying to finish it in short order. The black fellow holds his guard high and caps the knockout blow. Wolcott is clinching after every lead. Wolcott ducks two left hooks, but meets a right cross. Lavigne has him wobbling again, but the coon holds on and no effective work can be done. The Kid forces him against the ropes and smashes him right and left. Lavigne is bleeding from a gash on the forehead received in a clinch just before time is called. Both men are distressed.

Round 9.—Lavigne is in with a left hook and a short right on Wolcott's body. Lavigne's face presents a gory appearance, the blood flowing freely from the cut on his forehead. He sends in three good right hand heart punches and with marvelous frequency. One, two, three straight lefts from Lavigne land on Wolcott's face, but he won't go down. Lavigne sends in his right again and again over the darkey's heart. Wolcott limps to his corner when time is called, showing signs of muscular cramps.

AND THE CAT CAME BACK.



"Thomas cat, Thomas cat, where have you been?
"Over to London to look at the Queen!"
"Thomas cat, Thomas cat, what did you there?"
"I frightened a goldbug under her chair."

—Mother Goose.

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Round 10.—Lavigne pays no attention to cramps, but sends in a right and left and a right on the darkey's head. Then he switched and sent in another blow over Wolcott's heart. Wolcott countered lightly with his left on the Kid's face. The Kid jolted Wolcott back with a straight left on the mouth. Wolcott wakes up a bit and sent in a good straight left on Lavigne's face. Wolcott clinches and won't let go. In the mixup the honors were about even. Wolcott leads a left hook and Lavigne slips to the floor. They are both fighting hard when the bell rings.

Round 11.—Lavigne is in again with a left on the head and a right on the body. He hooked Wolcott with a stiff left and Wolcott crosses with a right on Lavigne's ear. Wolcott clinches and slips to the floor with Lavigne on top of him. Lavigne feinted with the left and crossed with a right, flush on Wolcott's mouth, steadying him. The pace is somewhat slower in this round. Lavigne's blows are doing the greater execution. Wolcott looks to the referee to assist him to his corner when time is called.

Round 12.—Wolcott remains in his corner when the gong sounds for the men to come to the scratch, simulating cramps. When Lavigne rushed at him he arose and gave Lavigne a hot mix-up. The cramps disappeared and the black fellow sent in right and left handers on Lavigne's head and body. Lavigne was blocked for a minute or so, but continued forcing it. Lavigne is fighting almost entirely for the body now. The darkey is weak again. O'Rourke takes him in his arms and half carried him to his corner when the bell rang.

Before the time came for the thirteenth round Tom O'Rourke threw a sponge up in the air in the middle of the ring. Great uproar and cheers for both men arose. Lavigne shows very little evidence of the hot battle except the gash over his forehead.

DEAD NEAR EAGLE ROCK.

Possibility That a Murder May Have Been Committed.

Orange, N. J., Oct. 29.—The dead body of a well dressed man was found in the woods near Eagle Rock this afternoon. It was half covered with leaves and apparently had been there several days. In one of the pockets was found a revolver with all the chambers loaded. A silver watch and a number of visiting cards engraved with the name of William Muller were in other pockets.

Over the right temple was found a severe wound, which looked as though it had been made with a blunt weapon. The man was stout and dark complexioned. There were no papers or money in his pockets. It is thought he may have been a victim of foul play, and that the body was carried to the woods.

BRITISH MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Inquiries as to Their Efficiency for Service as Armed Cruisers.

London, Oct. 29.—For some reason known probably only to the naval council of war, which has had several special sittings at Whitehall lately, further inquiries have been made this week as to the capabilities and condition of merchant steamers that are liable to service as armed cruisers. It is reported, also, that a series of experiments will be made during the coming winter for the purpose of settling the question as to the best armaments for these vessels and the maximum number of guns they should carry.

It is not without interest, in connection with this matter, that the White Star liner Teutonic on her arrival in the Mersey on Wednesday completed her hundredth round voyage, thereby establishing a record. Since her maiden trip, in August, 1889, she has sailed 620,000 nautical miles.

D.D HE SHOOT MISS COULTERS?

Cousin of the University Girl Arrested for Trying to Kill Her

Providence, R. I., Oct. 29.—The police of Cranston today arrested Frank Weeden, who was released from the insane asylum ten months ago on the charge of attempting to kill Miss Bertha F. Coulter, the Brown university student, who was shot at her home on Wednesday night. Weeden is a first cousin of the girl, his mother being Mrs. Coulter's sister. On several occasions he has annoyed the girl, and the family have suspected him from the start.

Although Weeden refuses to talk, the police evidently have a good case against him. In the cellar of his house today was found a piece of lead pipe partly covered with felt. On one of the slugs taken from Miss Coulter's chest is a bit of felt of the same appearance as that on the lead pipe found in Weeden's cellar. The prisoner was arrested some time ago for threatening to kill a woman who refused to marry him. He was adjudged insane and committed to the state asylum, but was discharged in July last as cured.

NICKEL COINS IN FRANCE.

Proposal to Substitute Them for Copper Coins Now Circulating.

London, Oct. 29.—M. Michelin proposes to insert a clause in the next French budget for the withdrawal of copper coins of ten and five centimes from circulation and replacing them with nickel coins of twenty, ten and five centimes. If the proposal is adopted a total of 70,000,000 francs will be struck off. To avoid confusion with the silver currency the nickel coins will be pierced in the center and will have a smooth edge. They will be composed of twenty-five per cent nickel and seventy-five per cent copper.

STEAMSHIP LAUNCHED.

Philadelphia, Oct. 29.—The mail steamship Miami was launched at Cramps' shipyard today. She is intended for the Cuban trade.

APOSTLE OF THE LOW

Death of Henry George the Great Economic Writer

A COMPLICATED CAMPAIGN

Effect on Greater New York's Mayoralty Election

Citizen Unionists Claim That They Will be Benefitted by the Stroke of Death—Other Parties Say the Result is Doubtful.

New York, Oct. 29.—Henry George is dead. In the midst of the strife and bitterness of a political campaign the spectre of death came and touched with his ruthless hand the leader of one host. On the very eve of a climax of human passions, ambitions and party prejudices the grim reaper provided the anti-climax, so much greater than the one which is still to come, that men of all parties have forgotten their anger in grief at the blow which has fallen with such suddenness. Last night, noisy and shouting, they crushed into halls and streets to hear speeches that were in a great part filled with personalities and bitterness. Rockets flared and fires burned, men argued and urged, and all signs bore witness that the campaign was at its heat.

But when today dawned all was changed. Men were loath to believe that one who had been so much in the public eye in the last few weeks was no more, and for the time being the complexion of the political situation was forgotten in genuine grief. Those who last night bitterly denounced the man who said, "I stand for real democracy, the democracy of Jefferson," today recalled the touching, kindly acts in the life of the dead man which showed his nature, and joined in the words which came naturally to the lips of all, "An honest man is dead."

Late this afternoon the Jeffersonian democracy substituted the name of Henry George, Jr., for that of his father as candidate for mayor of Greater New York.

His death is thought to have been apoplexy. George arrived at the hotel about 1 o'clock this morning and had just come from several large mass meetings in the boroughs of Queens and Brooklyn. The work of the night seemed to have told on him. He complained of being tired, but friends and relatives who awaited on him thought it was only natural fatigue that follows such hard campaign work as George has been doing. Not long after reaching the hotel he retired. About 3:30 Mrs. George was awakened and found George sitting in an armchair. "I am not feeling quite comfortable," said George. "Won't you go back to bed?" inquired Mrs. George, anxiously. "I will sit here awhile," was the response. Mrs. George at once grew anxious as to her husband's condition.

George gradually grew incoherent and lapsed into semi-consciousness. Mrs. George, thoroughly alarmed, called her son, Henry George, Jr., from an adjoining room. George was now unconscious. A call was sent for Dr. Kelly at 115 East Fifty-ninth street, who came without delay. George was still unconscious. All efforts to revive him failed. Without a sign of recognition to those around him he passed peacefully away at 4:45 o'clock. Mrs. George is prostrated and is being cared for by friends of the family at the hotel.

THE POLITICAL EFFECT.

When the news of Henry George's death was received at the democratic headquarters of Robert Van Wyck, he sent the following to Mrs. George: "I am inexpressibly shocked. No words can express my regret or my sincere sympathy."

"ROBERT A. VAN WYCK."

General Tracy said: "I regret exceedingly this unfortunate affair. I had the highest respect for Mr. George personally."

Mayor Gleason of Long Island City, candidate for mayor of Greater New York, said: "Mr. George was indeed a friend of the working man, honest in his belief. His death will completely change the complexion of the political situation. The vote which would have been cast for Mr. George next Tuesday will be split up and I freely believe that 75 per cent of it will now come over to me."

The Evening Post (Low) says editorially: "Mr. George's untimely death before the close of the canvass gives a certain tragic interest to the contest which already had moved the community to a very unusual degree. Politically, his death leaves nothing to be regretted so far as he was concerned. He had nothing to look forward to, for it is all but certain that he could not have been elected. His real value lay in his stern and energetic presentation of Platt and Croker as criminals to be punished."

The Commercial Advertiser (Tracy) in part says: "As a direct influence

in the campaign, Henry George's party disappears with Henry George. Though its elements remain as a dubious menace, no leader can be found to hold his party together, though some of it may follow an anti-Crocker leader, but the mass of discontented, restless seekers after a vague social revolution, and these made a large part of it, are left leaderless and purposeless."

The Mail and Express (Low), in part says: "The only man in the field who now represents that force to which Henry George gave his life is Seth Low."

The Times (Tammany) in part says: "The following of Mr. George in this fight for the mayoralty has been largely a personal one and what those who intended to vote for him will now do, is problematical."

CHICAGO'S SYMPATHY.

Chicago, Oct. 29.—Early today Secretary Moore of the Chicago Single Tax club sent Henry George, Jr., a telegram as follows: "Advocate under your signature the election of M. Low. Your father's life has been a break bossism. Mr. George said patently that if he could not elected he wanted to see Low elected and thus break bossism." Said Moore said today: "That is why we entered the campaign."

HENRY GEORGE'S LIFE.

Henry George was born September 2, 1839. He received a common school education and then went into a counting room. He was also a sailor and afterwards learned the printers' trade. In 1856 he reached California, where he worked at a printers' case until 1866, when he became a reporter and afterwards an editor. He returned to New York in 1880 and went to England and Ireland the following year, where he was twice arrested as a suspect, but was afterwards released when his identity became established.

George is best known to the world at large through his writings upon political economy. His notable work is entitled, "Progress and Poverty," published in 1875. His other works are, "Our Land and Land Policy," in 1871, "The Irish Land Question," in 1888, and "Property," in the land controversy with the Duke of Argyll in 1884. "The condition of Labor," an open letter to Pope Leo XI, in 1889, and "Herbert Spencer," in 1892.

In 1886 George was nominated by the United Labor party for mayor of New York, polling 68,000 votes against 90,000 for Abram S. Hewitt, the democratic nominee, and 60,000 for Theodore Roosevelt.

JAPAN WANTS HELP.

It Is Said She Has Appealed for British Support.

London, Oct. 29.—The assertion is made upon diplomatic authority that Japan has appealed to the good offices of England to support certain of her claims in connection with the annexation of Hawaii to the United States, and that Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British ambassador at Washington, has been instructed to broach the matter to the American government. Sir Julian Pauncefote sailed for New York on his return to Washington on the American line steamer St. Louis today.

PRICE OF MONEY.

New York, Oct. 29.—Money on call, easy at 1½¢ per cent; last loan, 2 per cent; closed, 2 per cent; prime mercantile paper, 3¼¢; sterling exchange, steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at \$4.85½¢ for demand, and at \$4.82½¢ for sixty days; posted rates, \$4.83¢ for 60 days; commercial bills, \$4.81¢; silver certificates, 58½¢; bar silver, 53¢; Mexican dollars, 45¢.

REVENGEFUL UTES.

An Indian War Imminent in Colorado.

Denver, Oct. 29.—The game warden's office today received the following dispatch from Game Warden Lytle at Meeker: "Indians are reported to be gathering in large numbers on the Colorado side of the Blue mountains. Settlers are greatly alarmed. Affairs look very threatening."

KANSAS CITY STOCK MARKET.

Kansas City, Oct. 29.—Cattle receipts, 6,000; market steady to strong; Texas steers, \$3@4.25; Texas cows, \$2.50@3.10; native steers, \$3@5.10; native cows and heifers, \$1@4.10; stockers and feeders, \$2.25@3.40; sheep receipts, 2,000; lambs, \$3.50@5.50; muttons, \$2.50@4.10; market firm.

TERROR WEATHERS A GALE.

Newport News, Va., Oct. 29.—The monitor Terror arrived in Hampton Roads yesterday and reports having weathered a very severe gale off Cape May on Wednesday night, which gave the crew a shaking up, and as a result there is considerable repair work to be done to the monitor, and she will probably be ordered to the Portsmouth navy yard.